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### News Summary.

**Foreign.**—One hundred cattle from Canada, suspected of being diseased, were killed at Liverpool.—The Hon. Alexander Mackenzie says that Canada will soon return to free trade.—King Alfonso of Spain, starts on his visit to Germany.—M. Jules Ferry says the death of the Count de Chambord will in no wise disturb the government of France.—The Moscow *Gazette* says that Russia has no interest in attacking Germany.—Treaty of peace between France and Annam allows France to station residents in all the chief towns of Tonquin.—Sixteen volcanoes have appeared in the Strait of Sunda, causing death and destruction.—The Czar and Czarina of Russia at Copenhagen.—Emperor William has changed the date of review of the guards out of deference to French feelings.—The coffin plate of the Count de Chambord was inscribed "Henry the Fifth."—Shapira's manuscript of Deuteronomy pronounced a forgery.—A great eruption on a volcanic island near Java.—The Austrian crusade below the average.—Placards appeared in Paris favoring the monarchy.

**Domestic.**—A Corean embassy, composed of men of high rank, has been appointed to live in Washington.—The distribution of the new two cent postage stamp will begin on September 1.—Postmaster-General Gresham is making a careful study of the postal telegraph question.—The Board of Health at Pensacola announces there is no yellow fever in that city.—Senator Sherman says that under no circumstances will he be a candidate for the Presidency.—Ex-Governor Joel Parker, of New Jersey, states that he would not accept the gubernatorial nomination.—A passenger train on the Philadelphia and Atlantic City Railroad (narrow gauge) thrown from the track and wrecked when near the latter place.—More than a score of persons injured.—Solomon Coleman (arrested) was brutally beaten by a masked mob near Macon, Ga., because he offered large wages for negro labor in digging a ditch.—A coroner's jury censured the corporation of N. Y. city for the wretched condition of the streets.—The Freethinkers in convention at Rochester, N. Y., listened to a defense of orthodox Christianity, and applauded the speaker.—Bartholdi's Statue of Liberty will be ready for delivery by the 1st of January next.

### About Town.

The sign of the Bloomfield *Record* has come down; there were signs of its going up some weeks before its last number was printed.

Mr. Weeden, of Watsessing, has purchased the unfinished brick building adjoining the Lake Street row, and will put it in condition for occupancy at once.

The Rev. Mr. Duffield's residence on Monroe Place has been newly painted. Whoever selected the colors deserves credit for the taste displayed. The work was done by Gustav Brueitt.

And I went to the summer boarding house.

Where they give the squarest meal But alas! the soap that was frequent there.

Was the soap they called cast steel.

Miss Jennie Smith's school for young children, Franklin Street, near Orange Street, will reopen Sept. 17. Miss Smith possesses the happy faculty of being able to interest, control, and instruct the little folks; we wish her every success.

A German student would like work for one or two hours a day from the beginning of the Seminary year, September 12. Board would be compensation. Apply to Dr. Charles E. Knox, at the Seminary, or through the post office.

Mr. Bowman, who has occupied, during the summer, the house of Mr. F. G. Tower, at Glen Ridge, goes back to his Brooklyn home on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Tower will return from Seabright on the same day.

An interesting game of ball was played on Saturday between the Montclair and Bloomfield clubs, at the former place, which resulted in a score of 14 to 7 in favor of the latter. On the 6th inning the score stood 7 to 6.

The annual school teachers' examination, prior to the opening of the public schools, is now being held at the Center school building. The session was begun yesterday and will conclude to-day. Prof. C. M. Davis, superintendent of this county, is conducting the examinations.

The Railroad Company will have a large force of men at work to-morrow, Sunday, in shifting the track between this place and Watsessing. The Wat-

sessing station will remain where it now stands until some arrangements can be made with the citizens of that place for a more desirable or convenient location.

A number of the Seminary students have already returned to town.

The Normal Class Bible Readings at the Baptist Church will be resumed Tuesday evening, Sept. 4.

The ladies of the Church of the Sacred Heart will hold a peach and ice cream festival in Union Hall on Sept. 5th and 6th.

A new Newark newspaper will make its first appearance to-day; it promises to be a bright and readable journal.

The next meeting of the Young People's Literary Society of the Baptist Church will be held on Monday evening, Sept. 3, in the church.

Mrs. C. T. Unangst has materially improved her property on corner of Glenwood and Washington Avenues by the relaying of flags on the walk.

The amateur job printers of our town have lately been increased by a new firm, that of Seibert Brothers of Glen Ridge, being composed of Masters Albert and Edgar Calvin Seibert.

B. F. A. Gossip.

Essex No. 1 will drill on Tuesday evening, Sept. 4.

A business meeting will be held on Sept. 11. All members will please attend.

At the drill on Tuesday evening, one of the gentlemen firemen objected to touching the hose because it was dirty.

In just ten and one-half minutes after leaving the house Tuesday night, the stream was playing.

Dr. A. J. Wright, secretary of the Montclair Hook and Ladder Co., and another member witnessed the drill on Tuesday evening.

The same evening Mr. J. T. Dowes and a number of citizens came up from Roseville to examine the truck.

Any member of the B. F. A. who has not already secured his badge can do so by addressing the Secretary, Mr. F. G. Tower, Glen Ridge.

Eleven days required by the D. L. & W. to transport our lamps fourteen miles. Query: Have they stopped on the way to do service at a fire?

The man who found most fault with our truck is the only one who has not yet paid his subscription.

The truck house is now completed; a number of contributions such as pictures, brie-a-brac etc., have been received. The boys will be glad to receive such articles from any of their friends.

One thing has been satisfactorily demonstrated, notwithstanding all that was said to the contrary—the truck will turn a corner as neatly as a carriage and with as little danger of tipping.

Accidents.

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Mr. Wm. H. Swain was very seriously injured last week while engaged in delivering ice. He was in the act of getting out of a large ice box and in order to lift himself up had taken hold of a molding, which gave way, and he was thrown violently to the floor on the outside of the box, and striking his right side on a large cake of ice, broke two ribs and split another. He did not realize the extent of his injuries at first, and though suffering great pain kept on working for an hour, when he fainted away and had to be carried to his home in Bloomfield where his injuries were properly attended to by Dr. Ed. Ward. He will probably be confined to the house for some weeks.

Meeting of the Fire Association.

An adjourned meeting of the association was held at Wild's Hall Monday evening. By-laws were passed perfecting the arrangement with the Town Committee by which the Bloomfield Fire Association becomes the officially recognized fire department of the town.

The question of a general electric fire and burglar alarm was introduced and discussed, being finally referred to a committee of two—Messrs. Weeks and Puffer. These gentlemen are now in communication with a practical electrician, and will probably report on the feasibility of the plan at the next meeting.

Street Improvement.

To The Bloomfield Citizen:

While the spirit of municipal improvement is ripe in our beautiful village, I would respectfully call the attention of the powers that be to two measures of aesthetic significance, of sanitary importance, and of public convenience.

The first is of general advantage because it applies to all parts of the town equally. I refer to the culture and trimming of trees—the border trees. Very many of them grow too low and have drooping branches that interfere with the heads and umbrellas of pedestrians as well as with carriages and equestrians on the streets, and constantly obstruct the light

from the street lamps and the free circu-

lation of air generally. A careful study of this subject has convinced me that permanent branches should not be allowed below a range of fifteen feet from ground level. For large trees of a foot in diameter at four feet from the ground, a range of twenty feet high for the lowest projecting limbs should, I think, be the regulation standard for the village. It is presumed that the Town Committee is competent to adopt and enforce an ordinance on this subject, which the people would generally hail with satisfaction. Beyond question it would be a measure of the most beneficial and praiseworthy policy, creditable to the taste and spirit of our municipal board, and attracting admiration from intelligent and appreciative visitors.

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Personal.

The Rev. Doctor Coe is at Shelter Island.

Miss Helen Freeman is visiting friends at Durham, New York.

Mrs. Elizabeth Derling, of Watsessing, has received the sad news of the death of her brother at Norwalk, Ct.

Mr. Robert M. Ball has gone to the Catskills for a short vacation.

Mr. Wm. B. Dodd has been spending his vacation at Ocean Grove.

Arthur B. Davis is spending his vacation at Haines Falls, Catskill Mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. Halsey M. Barrett and family are enjoying the invigorating air of Jewett, New York.

Mr. Gottfried Voss, organist of the German Church, has returned to his post from a visit to his paternal home in Holstein, Germany.

Mr. G. D. Puffer and family returned from Barnegat, unexpectedly, on Tuesday, Mrs. Puffer being threatened with a very severe attack of sickness.

Miss Phebe Dalrymple is at Patchogue, L. I. Miss Jessie Dalrymple is journeying to Chicago, Ill. Mrs. Dalrymple and Miss Kate are stopping at Saratoga, N. Y.

Mrs. S. H. Clark, *nee* Drake, of Omaha, Neb., a former resident of Bloomfield, has been visiting her friends in town the past week.

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Knowing as I do the attitude of THE CITIZEN on the improvement question, I trust its editors will zealously second this suggestion.

The second measure I would speak of is local, but of great importance. I refer to the grade of Midland Avenue, between Washington and Linden Avenues, where the defect is such as to make it a sort of cesspool for the surface flow of a large watershed west of it in every rain storm. There being no discharging sluiceway that avenue and its eastern sidewalk are flooded and submerged at every rainfall for two or three hundred feet. For several days, and till it evaporates, the pedestrian must needs creep along on the fence or make an untoward path in other directions to reach his goal. After the uncomplaining residents and perambulators have entered this with-smeared indignation, they have as much longer to nurse their disgust at the mud which the waterentals.

Will not our efficient Town Committee go to their rescue and bring down upon their heads the blessings of grateful mothers and wives?

Doubtless the editors of THE CITIZEN will speak an earnest word for this good cause.

Aug. 25, 1883.

### Ballots.

"R."

From many an ancient river.  
From many a submerged plain,  
The oysters are marching by thousands  
To-day to the market again.

The advance guard has been captured—  
And, ringing far and nigh,  
Sound the clarion tones of the waiter's  
Bold battle cry: "Saddle Rock fry!"

The critics say Oscar Wilde's new play  
*Nihil est.*

Reduced rent—a darn.

Maid of the Mist—dew.

Popular vessels—lager beer schooners.

Since lawyers are frequently called upon to draw up wills, can the law be called an elevating profession?

An exchange says: "The sadder and colder nature is, the more dear becomes our hearthstone."

Coal \$5.75 a ton!

There was a run on the Morris bank on Tuesday. It was a go-as-you-please match between a driver and his runaway mule on the canal bank.

The feature of Long Branch to-day," said Mr. Leland, of the Ocean House, to a *Herald* reporter, "is the growth of the cottage colony."